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the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention (referred to as the "INVENTION" below) entitled:					
CLAMPING PLATE WITH INTEGRATED HEAT INSULATION					
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